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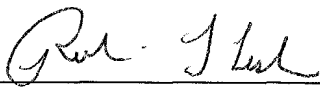
Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Verified Statement (Declaration) Claiming Small Entity Status,
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